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Memorandum

TO: Directors, Exceptional Children Program
Lead Administrator, Charter Schools

FROM: William J. Hussey, Director *WJH*
Exceptional Children Director

DATE: March 13, 2017

RE: **Webinar - SLD Fact Sheet #3**

In preparation for full implementation (effective July 1, 2020) of the Policy Addendum for the definition, evaluation and identification of Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD), a series of SLD fact sheets are being released to clarify specific areas of the policy. The third fact sheet in this series addresses the requirement for formal and/or informal diagnostic assessments. This fact sheet may be accessed at this link <http://mtss.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/SLD+Eligibility>.

The NC Department of Public Instruction's Exceptional Children Division will host a webinar to expand on the content in this fact sheet. The webinar will address the upcoming changes related to this portion of the policy. More specifically, the webinar will address the removal of the requirement of a psychological evaluation and the expansion of the requirement to utilize multiple sources of (educational) data, including formal and/or informal diagnostic data, in the evaluation of a suspected learning disability. Participants should register for the webinar via the link provided below.

Webinar Date: Thursday, April 6, 2017
Webinar Time: 11:30am-12:30pm
Registration Link: [SLD Fact Sheet # 3 Webinar](#)

Questions regarding this webinar should be directed to:

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